

WEST HANNEY PARISH MEETING
Held on Tuesday 3rd December 2019
At St James Church at 7.30pm

PRESENT: Cllrs Graham Garner (Chairman), Eddie Wilkinson, Trevor Brettell
David Corps, Peter Packham and Barbara Martin (Clerk)

ATTENDEES: A Wilkinson, J Stagg, B Haines D Stringfellow and P Gascoigne

APOLOGIES: None

57/19 Minutes of Last Meeting

The Chairman signed the minutes of last meeting as a true copy.

58/19 Matters Arising

1. Speed Signs: - The chairman has spoken to Dickon Green about asking the Thames Valley Police to come and check our Speed Signs to see if they are accurate, although the Parish Council are happy with the calibration as it is.
2. Church Parking: - The chairman reported that Peter Packham and he still had to contact the Church Wardens to arrange a meeting.
3. Sweetcroft Field: - David Corps reported that Sweetcroft still had to complete their clearance of the field between East & West Hanney. David is to liaise with the Planning Enforcement people.
4. Tree Maintenance: - The Chairman proposed that the Council accept the quote from Ringrose for the tree maintenance, which was agreed by the council.

59/19 Chairman's Announcements

The Chairman reported that he had heard from one resident of the village with regards to the Unadopted Road which runs alongside the Village Green, to say that he had contact Sweetcroft to see if they asked for permission to dig up the road, when building the houses in St James Way. Sweetcroft replied that they had no idea!!

The Chairman also said that he had contacted Thames Water with the same request, but he would need to supply the postcode of the road, so that they can check their records. The chairman will contact both Thames Water and Sweetcroft again to supply the postcode with Thames Water and asked Sweetcroft to check their records again.

The Chairman also contacted Matthew Barber re the Unadopted Road, who in turn contacted Nick Blacow, the Highways Records Manager for OCC. Nick Blacow has replied to Matthew Barber saying that the roads across the green, with the exception of Church Street, were not on the list of streets that the County Council have. Also, they were not in the records that were past to OCC when the Local Government reorganization took place in the 1970's.

The chairman reported that Nick Blacow e-mailed details of how the Parish council

could challenge the Highways Record Plan to have the roads added to the List of Streets, or alternatively for the Parish Council to make an application for a Definitive Map Modification Order under section 53 of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981. The Chairman also stated that the OCC curbed around the Village Green and along the Unadopted Road about 35 years ago.

Finally, with regards to the flooding of Church Street the Chairman reported that he had received a lot of cooperation from Hannah Wood, and that she also came to look at the flood for herself, on the same day as the Chairman reported the it. Hannah Wood said that she would move us to the top of the list, and arrange to have the footpath opposite the Church to be cleared. Paul Sayers spoke to some of the workmen who were looking at the drain area on 3rd December, and they said they thought there were more blockages along Church Street.

60/19 Financial Report

The Accounts were presented by the clerk and approved by the council.

61/19 Bank Account

The clerk asked the Council if they were in agreement that, as we still had funds in Nationwide, were they happy to wait until after the new year to finally transfer these to the New Bank Account. This was agreed by the Council. It was also agreed that the clerk would contact Unity Bank re the sending of e-mails to signatories and to clarify procedures.

62/19 Precept

The clerk presented a provisional budget for the 2020/21 Precept, which on examination, it was decided to leave the final amount until the January 2020 meeting. It was also agreed that the clerk would contact the Vale to apply for an extension to the Precept filing date and to also ask how the Council went about increasing the Precept substantially to cover extra expenditure in 2020/21.

63/19 Neighbourhood Plan

The Chairman reported that he had received 3 statutory replies re the Neighbourhood Development Plan, but that all had No Comment. The Chairman also reported that he had some very complimentary responses to the layout and content of the NDP. So far, we have received 1 written and 1 digital response to the NDP consultation period. The Chairman then thanked the Councillors and clerk for attending the meeting held on 11th November 2019. The Chairman asked the clerk to e-mail or write to Bill Orson to thank him and the History Group for the wonderful Caricature assessment part of the NDP.

The consultation will finish on 20th December at 5pm, and the Chairman and Eddie Wilkinson will then look at all responses and amend the plan as required.

64/19 Planning

P18/V1498/FUL - Path along side School Road – A meeting was held with K Dykesman, who asked for the footpath that runs alongside of Coralea to be resurfaced at the existing width, and a barrier to be placed at the road end of the path. They will also get rid of the kissing gate at the field end of the path.

It was asked if the councillors would contact K Dykesman and ask if he would install the Kissing Gate that they will remove at the meadow end of the footpath on the southside of School Road. It has also been agreed that there will be no path from the north footpath towards Hanney Spice.

Deans Farm House is up for sale with existing planning permissions.

65/19 Roles and Responsibilities.

Deferred until January 2020 meeting

66/19 Hanney Guide

Jim Stagg asked if the Parish Council was prepared to pay towards the printing of further copies of the Hanney Guide. After some discussion it was decided that yes, they would, on the same terms as the initial print, which will be approximately £60

67/19 Date of Next Meeting

Tuesday 21st January 2020 – Regular Meeting 7.30pm at St James Church

As the Chairman will be absent for 7 weeks at the beginning of 2020 Trevor Brettell will chair any meetings held in that period.

Signed Chairman

Date